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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02110

CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL ATTACHED

Re: <u>Canal Electric Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and</u> Commonwealth Electric Company, D.T.E. 02-34

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed is an unredacted version of Exhibit 5 to the Petition of Canal Electric Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company and Commonwealth Electric Company (the "Companies") filed today under separate cover in the above-referenced proceeding. As noted in the transmittal letter filed with the Companies' Petition, the Companies file this unredacted version of Exhibit 5, pending a ruling on the Companies' Motion for Protective Treatment (the "Motion"), also filed under separate cover. The Motion for Protective Treatment seeks protection from public disclosure of certain proprietary, confidential and highly sensitive competitive information in Exhibit 5 regarding the Companies' assumptions about the future market price of power. Accordingly, pending final Department action on the Motion, the Companies request that the enclosed exhibit be protected from public disclosure.

I have also enclosed a Certificate of Service. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

David S. Rosenzweig

Enclosure

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